

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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September 29, 2009

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**Dear Supervisors:** 

CHANGES IN WORK FOR PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS
CITIES OF ARTESIA, BELL, COMMERCE, CUDAHY, DOWNEY,
LONG BEACH, LYNWOOD, MONTEBELLO, PICO RIVERA, SOUTH GATE,
AND VERNON AND THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF
EAST LOS ANGELES AND LEONA VALLEY
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 2, 4, AND 5)
(3 VOTES)

#### **SUBJECT**

This action is to approve changes in work and the increased contract amounts for public works construction contracts in the Cities of Artesia, Bell, Commerce, Cudahy, Downey, Long Beach, Lynwood, Montebello, Pico Rivera, South Gate, and Vernon and the unincorporated communities of East Los Angeles and Leona Valley.

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#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Find that the requested changes in work have no significant effect on the environment and approve the changes and increased contract amounts for the following construction contracts:

- Project ID No. RDC0014619 Truck Impacted Intersection Project Groups A & B, Phase I, to
  construct intersections and medians, modify and synchronize traffic signals, and install striping and
  pavement markings, in the Cities of Bell, Commerce, Cudahy, Montebello, Pico Rivera, South Gate,
  Vernon, Lynwood, Artesia, Downey, and Long Beach, being performed by Alliance Streetworks, Inc.,
  for various miscellaneous changes required to complete the work as intended, with an increase in
  the contract amount of \$295,150.
- Project ID No. RDC0015022 3rd Street Record Avenue to Woods Avenue, to reconstruct and resurface asphalt pavement and roadway; construct curb and gutter, sidewalk, curb ramps, cross gutters, bus pads, catch basin modifications, landscaping, and irrigations systems; and install striping and pavement markings, in the unincorporated community of East Los Angeles, being performed by Sully Miller Contracting Company, for various miscellaneous changes required to complete the work as intended, with an increase in the contract amount of \$45,815.60.
- Project ID No. RDC0015086 Godde Hill Road Guardrail and Curve Improvements, to reconstruct roadway and install guardrailing, in the unincorporated community of Leona Valley, being performed by Autobahn Construction, Inc., for variations in bid quantities, with an increase in the contract amount of \$16,161.60.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors' (Board) approval for changes in public works contracts in support of the timely completion of the projects while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and the necessary time extensions are listed in the enclosure for each contract.

The Director of Public Works or her designee has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Enclosed for your authorization are changes in work in excess of the Director of Public Works' delegated limits, which are required to complete Project ID Nos. RDC0014619, RDC0015022, and RDC0015086.

## <u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). Approval of these changes will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected community.

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#### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

These changes in work will have no impact to the County General Fund. The funding for Project ID No. RDC0014619 is included in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Road Fund Budget; funding for Project ID No. RDC0015022 is included in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Proposition C Local Return Budget; and the funding for Project ID No. RDC0015086 is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Road Fund Budget.

The estimated change order amounts for these contracts range from increases of \$16,161.60 to \$295,150. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes, together with contract cost summaries, are included in the enclosures.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of the subject contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works or her designee.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in work as described above and in the enclosures do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

#### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Each contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs are based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Approval of the requested changes by your Board will ensure the timely completion of work under each of the respective contracts and result in complete and usable facilities.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

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Respectfully submitted,

**GAIL FARBER** 

Director

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### **Enclosures**

c: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

## CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE) September 29, 2009

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014619 - TRUCK IMPACTED INTERSECTION PROJECT GROUPS A & B, PHASE I (in the Cities of Bell, Commerce, Cudahy, Montebello, Pico Rivera, South Gate, Vernon, Lynwood, Artesia, Downey, and Long Beach) Supervisorial Districts 1, 2, and 4, Contractor: Alliance Streetworks, Inc.

#### <u>Project Description</u>:

Construction of Portland Cement Concrete intersections and medians, modification and synchronization of traffic signals, installation of striping and pavement markings, and other appurtenant work.

### Changes in Work:

(1)	Reconstruct Crosswalks	\$ 52,670.00
(2)	Reconstruct Concrete Intersection	213,752.00
(3)	Temporary Traffic Signal Wiring	6,000.00
(4)	Miscellaneous Design Changes	22,728.00
	Total	\$295,150.00

### <u>Description of Changes</u>:

- (1) The City of Pico Rivera has requested the reconstruction of pedestrian crosswalks with stamped concrete at the intersection of Rosemead Boulevard and Whittier Boulevard. The cost for this work will be entirely paid by the City of Pico Rivera.
- (2) The City of Pico Rivera has requested the reconstruction of the intersection of Rosemead Boulevard and Whittier Boulevard with concrete and lean concrete base. The cost for this work will be entirely paid by the City of Pico Rivera.
- (3) It will be necessary to install temporary overhead traffic wiring to keep the traffic signals working at the intersection of Rosemead Boulevard and Whittier Boulevard in the City of Pico Rivera for the duration of the project. The cost for this work will be entirely paid by the City of Pico Rivera.

(4) It will be necessary to reconstruct curb ramps at the corners of Rosemead Boulevard and Whittier Boulevard in the City of Pico Rivera. Also, it will be necessary to replace some of the traffic signal conduits and wiring due to concrete removal and to remove and replace damaged asphalt concrete pavement near the raised medians. The cost for this work will be entirely paid by the City of Pico Rivera.

Most of the costs for Items 1, 2, and 4, will be based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 3 and part of the costs for Items 1 and 2 will be based on a time and materials basis as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications. The remainder of the cost for Item 1 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications. The remainder of the costs for Items 2 and 4, will be based on stipulated unit prices as provided in Subsection 3-2.3 of the contract specifications.

#### **Financial Information:**

This project is entirely within the jurisdictional limits of the Gateway Cities Council of Governments (COG). County-COG Cooperative Agreement No. 73356 provides for the County of Los Angeles to perform the preliminary engineering and administer the construction of the project with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Authority (Metro) using Federal, State, and Metro funds to finance a portion of the project costs and the COG to finance the remaining share of the project cost. This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Road Fund Budget.

Forty additional working days will be required because of these changes.

#### **Revised Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount	\$5,681,098.40
Changes in work previously approved	
by your Board	274,952.53
Changes in work to be authorized	295,150.00
Revised contract amount	\$ <u>6,251,200.93</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	10%

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## CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE) September 29, 2009

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0015022 - 3RD STREET - RECORD AVENUE TO WOODS AVENUE (in the unincorporated community of East Los Angeles), Supervisorial District 1, Contractor: Sully-Miller Contracting Company

#### **Project Description:**

Reconstruction and resurfacing of asphalt pavement and roadway; construction of curb and gutter, sidewalk, curb ramps, cross gutters, bus pads, catch basin modifications, landscaping, and irrigation systems; and installation of striping and pavement markings.

### Changes in Work:

(1)	Variations in Bid Quantities	\$26,827.60
(2)	Protect Underground Fiber-Optic Line	19,318.00
(3)	Construct Modified Curb Drains	(23,030.00)
(4)	Remove Interfering Wall Structure	16,200.00
(5)	Modify Proposed Surface Drainage	6,500.00

Total \$<u>45,815.60</u>

# **Description of Changes**:

- (1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.
- (2) It will be necessary to excavate and place concrete slurry to protect an existing Metro fiber-optic line located on 3rd Street, between Eastern Avenue and the 710 Freeway. This work was not shown on the plans.
- (3) It will be necessary to modify the proposed curb drain weep holes to accommodate an existing retaining wall. This change resulted in a credit in the amount shown.
- (4) It will be necessary to remove a wall structure that interferes with the proposed street improvements on 3rd Street. This work was not shown on the plans.
- (5) It will be necessary to reconstruct the existing curb and gutter to accommodate the surface drainage to the existing catch basins. This work was not shown on the plans.

The cost for Item 1 and portions of the costs for Items 2 and 3 will be based on contract unit prices. The costs for Items 4, 5, and the remainder of the cost for Item 2 will be based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications. The remainder cost for Item 3 will be negotiated as the in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Eight additional working days will be required because of these changes.

### Financial Information:

Funding for these changes in work is included in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Proposition C Local Return Budget.

### **Revised Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount	\$3,411,736.24
Changes in work previously approved by your Board	628,205.00
Changes in work to be authorized	<u>45,815.60</u>
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Revised contract amount	\$ <u>4,085,756.84</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	19.8%

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## CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE) September 29, 2009

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0015086 - GODDE HILL ROAD GUARDRAIL AND CURVE IMPROVEMENTS (in the unincorporated community of Leona Valley), Supervisorial District 5, Contractor: Autobahn Construction, Inc.

### **Project Description:**

Reconstruction of roadway pavement, installation of guardrailing, and the performance of other appurtenant work.

## Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities

\$16,161.60

#### **Description of Changes:**

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes will be based on contract unit prices.

Two additional working days will be required because of these changes.

#### <u>Financial Information</u>:

Funding for these changes in work is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Road Fund Budget.

#### **Revised Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount	\$258,689.00
Changes in work to be authorized	<u> 16,161.60</u>

Revised contract amount \$274,850.60

Percent total change to original contract amount 6.2%

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